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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Shaffer et al.)	Examiner: Hu, Jinsong
Serial No: 09/516,908)	
Filing Date: March 1, 2000)	Art Unit: 2154
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)	
SELECTABLE COMPRESSION)	
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF MARCH 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action bearing a mailing date of March 18, 2004, hereinafter, "the Office Action", Applicants respectfully submit the following amendment and remarks. The present response to the Office Action is being submitted within two months from the mailing date of the Office Action.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.